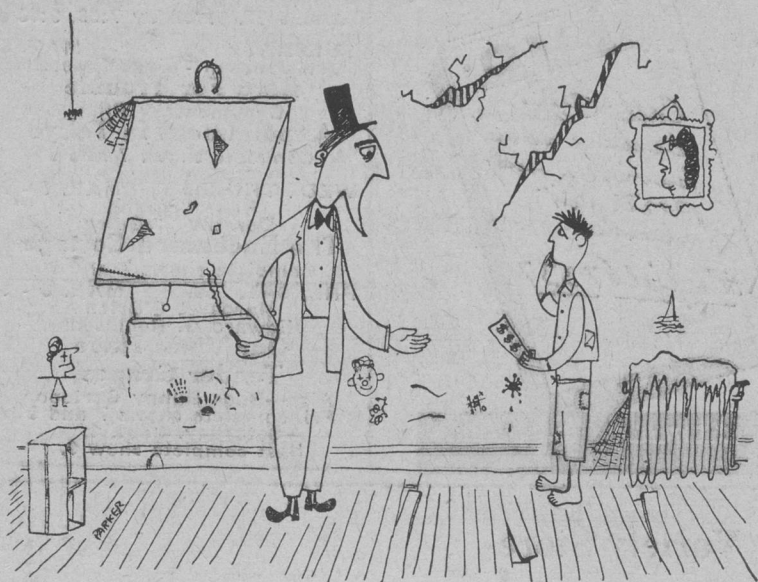




Greenbelt at the Crossroads



Thanks for the paycheck, Sonny. By the way, I'm thinking of cutting down your allowance—they say I've been spoiling you.

Defense Housing Now Reserved For "Distressed" Vets

The tenant selection office for Greenbelt's defense housing announced this week that all income and rank ceilings have been lifted for the war housing here, and that these homes are now being reserved exclusively for "distressed" servicemen, veterans of World War II and their families. The term "distressed" is applied to servicemen or veterans whose work brings them to this area and who are unable to find quarters for their families here.

This order does not mean that present tenants of the war housing who are not service people will have to move, Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer stated.

Former income ceilings in effect for the war housing were \$2600 for a couple and \$2900 for a family. No rank higher than a captain in the Army or lieutenant in the Navy was accepted formerly.

Child Center Gets FPFA Equipment

At a joint meeting of the Greenbelt Child Care Center Board and Advisory Council, the new members were informed that a new, modern set of nursery equipment valued at \$1000 has been procured through the FPFA Education Field Office.

The furniture was on display in the model school at the recent exhibit of the National Housing Agency at New Hampshire Avenue and University Lane. It includes blond oak tables, chairs, easels, cots with mats, screens, building blocks, scales, clothes hampers, and an outdoor slide and see-saw.

Individual lockers for the children will be secured, Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer of the Advisory Council reported.

County Superintendent of Schools Gardner Shugart has indicated that the school board will permit the continued use of such additional furnishings as are needed until the above permanent equipment is supplemented.

The Child Care Center which is supervised by Miss Elizabeth Cameron and Mrs. Nyla Legerhausen now has an enrollment of 30 children ranging in age from two-and-a-half to eight.

The Center is open from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. for children whose parents work, and from 9 a. m. through lunch for others. Mrs. Fred McCarthy, president of the parents board of the Child Care Center, states that afternoon care for the latter children will be arranged later.

Correction Notice

Mrs. Fugitt wishes to correct the notice on the Easter holidays which appeared in last week's Cooperator. School will be dismissed at 1 o'clock on April 17 and resumed on April 24 at 9 a. m.

Citizens Get Dirt On New Highway

What will be the access road from Greenbelt streets to the new super-highway?

What will be the actual distance of the high-speed roadway from Greenbelt homes?

What will be the relation to Greenbelt of the proposed inter-county freeway?

These vital subjects will be discussed and questions from the floor will be answered by Fred Tuemmler, director of planning for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, who will appear as guest speaker at a meeting of the Citizens Association on Monday evening, March 4, at the Center School Auditorium.

Also anticipated for discussion and action is the existing relation between the people of the community, the Town Council, and the Federal Public Housing Authority, as well as the Association Housing Committee report.

Tenants Needn't Wait For Paint

Tenant Selection Director Mary Jane Kinzer says there was a total of 53 vacancies here last month in old and new Greenbelt.

Every effort is made to give new tenants adequate notice of impending vacancies. If the newcomers are too hurried to wait for redecorating they may move in without benefit of paint, if they certify their willingness in writing, Mrs. Kinzer stated.

Need Shoes Abroad

The American Friends Service Committee, whose Washington headquarters are located at 211 Florida Avenue, N. W., announces it will receive shoes for foreign relief.

For children and older boys or girls any type of shoe an American child would wear, including tennis shoes, is solicited, but no high heels. Heavy work shoes are especially needed for men. For women any type with low or Cuban heel can be used. There is also a need for boots and rubbers.

It is asked that shoes be repaired, polished, supplied with new laces and tied together in pairs.

Hull Heads Five Voted In By GCS

Dayton Hull, president of the board of directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services for the past year, led the list of board members elected at Wednesday night's annual membership meeting, with nearly three times the number of first-place votes needed to assure his return on the first count. Herman Ramras and Bertha Maryn were also returned to the board, and Frank Lastner and Phillips Taylor made up the number of five directors to be chosen at this meeting.

Interest on shares was voted at five per cent, and a patronage refund was approved at the rate of two and a half per cent on the amount of slips turned in for last year's purchases.

The election was preceded by reports from committee chairmen, including a summary of progress on the projected store expansion by Management Committee and Expansion Committee chairman Ramras. Negotiations started last November with the Federal government for permission to go ahead and build have not yet brought any definite reply, though the general idea of an additional building and expanded facilities seem to meet with official approval; conferences with banks and architect have been had, but there was nothing concrete to report as yet. General Manager Ashelman cited in his report also the necessity for more room to improve the cooperative's services, saying that space is needed in nearly all the enterprises to make room for new stock and greater volume of business. He hinted that a provision in the lease may make it possible for the stores to be painted, and the bill to be sent to the government. "Read your leases," was his suggestion to members of the audience who would like to have their own places fixed up.

Besides the need for bigger quarters, Mr. Ashelman mentioned the saving already realized through more efficient use of personnel, despite the shorter hours and higher wages now in effect. "If only one cent out of every dollar were saved, through decreasing waste, it would mean eleven thousand dollars in our pockets," he added, urging patrons to help employees in keeping waste at a minimum.

Last item taken up was the theater admission prices, with Theater Manager Fruchtmann reviewing the arguments for increasing admissions and replying to questions put to him from the floor. Bill Zerwick was one of the speakers in opposition to the proposal to raise prices, stating that an increase would work a hardship on families with low incomes, and that the children of the community would be better off in the movies than running the streets and getting into trouble. After some further discussion, Director Bob Volckhausen asked the chair to get an expression of opinion from the audience as to whether they wanted the price raised or not, it being pointed out that since the hour was so late there was not a quorum of the membership still present. An unofficial show of hands was taken, resulting in almost unanimous disapproval of any increase at present, some few voting to favor one only if it would assure faster service on film releases. The meeting was then declared adjourned.

Artists Invited

The art class under its new teacher, Mrs. Betty Reznikoff, had its second session Monday, February 25. It was decided to meet twice a week Monday and Thursday from 8 p. m. to 10 p. m. at the Elementary School.

The students using various mediums are working on a still life of vegetables. The class is still open for the registration of all who feel the urge to draw and paint.

Council Expects Fight On Budget At Meeting With FPFA Next Month

Prompted by Greenbelt's present cashless condition, caused by FPFA's failure to approve this year's bills for refunds in lieu of taxes, a delegation of councilmen accompanied Mayor Bauer and Town Solicitor John S. White to visit Field Director Oliver Winston Tuesday afternoon and obtained a promise that FPFA would okay vouchers submitted for all town bills from the first of the year until the regular budget is approved. The promise was obtained in writing, and included a paragraph added on the insistence of Solicitor White to the effect that acceptance of this arrangement will not bind Greenbelt to approving such a method of meeting town expenses in the future. Previously the town budget has been drawn up in December and approved by the Housing Authority shortly thereafter. The delay already encountered in getting the town's 1946 expenses approved by the government office has led the council to expect a fight when the current budget finally comes up for discussion.

The Gobbel Affair Still An Enigma

Sherrod East pointed out at last Monday's council meeting that "FPFA can fire Manager Gobbel as community manager, but he can still talk to them as town manager." From all appearances, however, FPFA had decided against discharging Manager Gobbel as of February 11, end of the grace period set for his voluntary resignation.



At the council meeting Mayor Bauer read a copy of a letter sent by FPFA Commissioner Klutznick to Senator Tydings, which promised Manager Gobbel a personal hearing and asserted that any measure affecting adequacy of service in Greenbelt would be taken up with the town council, a reiteration of his statement to the Greenbelt delegation meeting with him and field director Winston on February 14. Manager Gobbel has informed the Cooperator that it is up to FPFA to schedule a hearing when the evidence has been weighed.

100 Yards To Go

The group which has been meeting regularly on Fridays at 7 Woodland Way to do war relief sewing reports that the American Friends Service Committee has sent them 50 yards of shirting, 24 yards of gingham and 26 yards of seersucker. Individuals and sewing groups interested in making garments for needy Europeans are asked to contact Mrs. Mott at 5106, or Mrs. Mesner, 3143.

A large collection of cast-off clothing has been sorted and now needs mending, Mrs. Mott also states.

World Prayer Day

The annual World Day of Prayer will be observed by the women of Greenbelt in the social room of the elementary school on Friday, March 8 at 3:40 o'clock. This is under the auspices of the Community Church Guild, and all women of Greenbelt are cordially invited to be present.

According to Mayor Bauer's statement Monday night at the council meeting, FPFA had promised action some time before February 15 "at the latest." About fifty residents attending the council meeting heard the town treasurer read a statement of finances, revealing that after February's payroll of around \$4000 is met, there will be only \$400 in the town treasury. During January and February the town ran on a cash surplus left over from last year's budget, which is nearly exhausted. A resolution was offered by Councilman Allen Morrison recommending that all town employees be placed on furlough at the end of February until such time as funds are again available to pay them.

According to Winston's statement Tuesday, a joint meeting will be held by the field office and the council "by March 15" to approve the regular budget. The council this year is asking FPFA for \$111,218 in lieu of taxes, a sum less than in 1942 and '43 despite increased costs of labor and maintenance. Besides this amount to pay for regular town services, the town is also asking for \$16,928 to cover non-recurring expenses such as replacements for the two garbage trucks, five and eight years old respectively, a road roller, and park and playground equipment for the North End.

Cites Importance Of Town Planning

Speaking on "The Significance of Greenbelt" at a meeting of GCS employees Monday night, Walter Volckhausen reminded the group that the original planners of the town intended that it should some day be transferred from the Federal Government to a local housing authority. Three purposes in building the town were given: to provide work relief for the unemployed, to make homes for families of moderate income, and to serve as an experiment in community planning which has become the most famous in the country. As a community unit, Mr. Volckhausen stated that the town has many features which have been helpful to residents in working out their problems together, citing the sixty organizations formed here prior to the war by the citizens themselves.

Red Cross Drive Has Goal Of \$800

The annual drive of the Red Cross to raise its quota of \$800 begins today. Mrs. Joseph Rogers, chairman of the drive, announced that the entire town is to be canvassed by March 15. At a meeting on Wednesday afternoon at her home, workers who will lead in canvassing the blocks were reminded that the need is still great, as the Red Cross must furnish needed community services such as disaster relief, health education, and accident prevention as well as assistance to servicemen and their families. If you are not contacted and wish to contribute, call Mrs. Rogers at 3171 or see the worker in your block.

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Hands Up, Thumbs Down

Thanks this week go to all the hardy souls who stayed out a little while later than the rest last Wednesday night to lend an unofficial hand in disapproving the proposal to raise theater prices. Too bad the question wasn't raised earlier, so that more of the stockholders could have had a chance to express themselves. If the unofficial count was any reliable indication, most of them dislike the idea as much as the Cooperator does.

However, it should be cautioned that, whether official or unofficial, an expression of public opinion does not necessarily mean anything as far as the board is concerned. The board has the absolute power to do as it chooses about theater admissions; while it might consider membership feelings on the subject, then again it might not. The talk at board meetings is full of price raise for the theater, so don't be surprised if it goes through anyway. (Maybe the candidates for election should have been asked how they stood on it before the vote was taken.)

Anyway, nobody has yet given us a good, clear, definite reason for boosting the theater take until service there is improved. The need for a better ventilation fan in the theater was cited as one excuse for charging more admission. Was there a boost in the price of groceries when that large fan was installed in the center food store, and if not why should the theater be any different? Most of the town is apparently still unconvinced. Thanks again for showing it, folks!

Lutheran Church

Rev. E. E. Pieplow will deliver the sermon entitled "The Royal Road to Greatness," Mark 10:32-45 at 12:30 p. m. Sunday in the Home Economics Room of the elementary school.

Sunday School and adult Bible class begin promptly at 11:45 a. m. Five separate classes for all age children from beginners to seniors are conducted.

Lenten services will be held on Thursday beginning March 7, at 8 p. m. in Room 224 of the elementary school. The first of the series of six sermons to be delivered by Rev. Pieplow every Thursday is taken from Matt. 10:4 and entitled "The Voice of Judas."

Confirmation class meets at 35-L Ridge Road on Saturday afternoon at 4 p. m.

Choir rehearsal will follow the Lenten service every Thursday evening.

Methodists Meet Sunday Evening

Rev. Chester Craig will take charge of the Communion Service to be held in the Home Economics Room of the elementary school, Sunday, March 3, at 8 p. m. The Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at 16-K Ridge Road at 1:30 p. m. on March 1. Mid-week prayer service will be held Wednesday, March 6, at 8 p. m. at the Griggs home, 11-F Ridge Road.

Sunday School is held every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the Watson home, 16-K Ridge Road. A very cordial welcome is extended to all to attend these meetings.

Room For Speakers

Mr. Smith's public speaking class is meeting every Monday evening in Room 222 at the Elementary School. A few new members are being accepted. Any one who is interested is urged to enroll now.

Community Church

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Community Church. Officiating will be Rev. Wilmer P. Johnston, Pastor. Music will be furnished by a choir under the direction of Thomas B. Ritchie, with Mrs. Daniel J. Neff at the organ. Mrs. Myron Zabris-kie will be in the vestibule at 10:45 a. m. to welcome the children whose parents desire to leave them in the nursery during the worship service.

The Sunday School will meet at 9:30 a. m. under the direction of Frederick D. Birchard, superintendent. There are four adult Bible classes. The Men's Bible Class is planning for their regular annual attendance contest under the direction of Rolfe Sauls.

The Community Church Guild will meet on Tuesday, March 5, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. James Beck, 8-M Southway. All women of the church are cordially invited to attend the meetings. The Finance Committee will meet Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Pastor's study, 8-B Parkway.

The community is invited to all services of the Community Church, for the Community Church is the official representative of your church in Greenbelt if your church belongs to the Washington Federation of Churches.

Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt; Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Religious instruction for children is held every Tuesday at 3:30 p. m., 10-B Parkway.

TO THE EDITOR

In recent years a newly "discovered" movement in art has been the work of self-taught artists. These people, of all ages and from varied walks of life, have been practicing this form of self-expression silently and with little thought of displaying their work. As much of their work as has been shown in various museums has proved worthy of the recognition and praise it has received. It has come to my attention that there are a number of self-taught artists here in Greenbelt. If any more of this talent is in our midst, I believe their work should be given some sort of display. So, in view of holding a future exhibit of these self-taught artists (known as "primitives," "naives," or Sunday painters") will these people please get in touch with me by phone—GR. 6551.

—ISADORE J. PARKER

Hebrew Congregation

Services will be held Friday evening at 8:30 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rosenzweig, 4-E Crescent Road.

Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

There will be no meeting next Sunday at the Elementary School. The 24th Quarterly Conference of the Washington Stake will be held at the Washington Chapel on Saturday and Sunday, March 2 and 3, 1946.

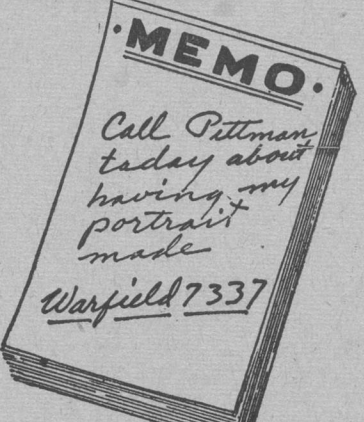
Elder John A. Widtsoe of the Council of the Twelve, and Sister Leah B. Widtsoe and Elder Tracy Y. Cannon of the General Church Music Committee, will be the conference visitors from Salt Lake City.

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New GCS Booklet

A twelve-page illustrated brochure, combining the 1945 annual GCS report with the material formerly contained in the "Our Greenbelt Stores" booklet, is being prepared for publication by the GCS public relations office, Director Merton Trast announced. The booklet will contain operations charts and the financial report, and will be distributed without charge to the GCS membership and to other interested individuals following the February 27 membership meeting.

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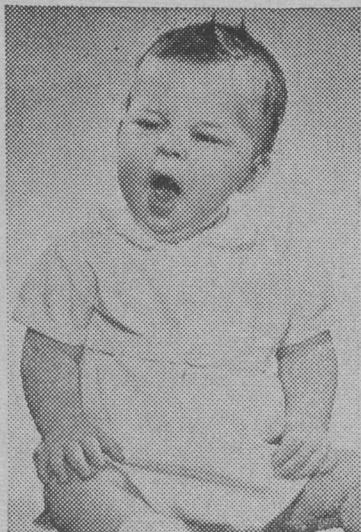
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MEMBERSHIP:	1820	1598	707
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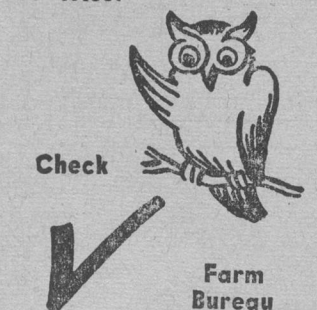
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Men's Bowling

Tuesday, February 19, there were many changes in the standings due to some very rampant bowling. The Rummys took three from the badly faltering Eagles to move into first place, while the Legionnaires dropped a pair to those charging Spoilers who rolled high team set with 1700. Outstanding for the winners were Birdseye with a 355 set, Eshbaugh with a 341, Goodman with a 371, C. Bowen with a 354 and Mayor Bauer with a tie for high game of 164. Moving into third position was the Greenhorns with a 3 game sweep over the Emanon, while those Seahawks grabbed 3 from the Commandos. Southeast Glass snared all three from the Scorpions and those Redskins stepped out with a clean sweep over the Aces. The Defenders took the odd one from the Pickups despite Mac Ewen's 127 game, and the Piddlers nosed out the Co-op for the odd game.

Women's Bowling

Those maples really flew on Thursday, February 21 as those league-leading Robots dropped a trio to the Commandos, and those fast-moving Zombies snared a pair from the Allies with Kosatka contributing a 120 game and Johnson a 116 game for the winners. The others were divided on a two and one split, with the Pioneers taking the odd one from the Triflers with games by McWilliams of 112 and Graziano of 109 for the winners; the Widgets topped the Victors with games by Bushman of 113 and Schnittker for the winners and Bradley, with a 118 coupled with Dodge's 113 for the losers; the Bombers overcame the G. I.s, the Anchors knocked off the Rioters despite Linhart's high game of 142; the Raiders outrolled the Co-op, and the Atomics with Benjamin rolling a 118 coupled with a 115 by Bryant took the odd game from the Deuces.

Speaks On Cereals

Miss Ethel Regan, county demonstrator, addressed an assembly at the center school Monday speaking on nutrition, and emphasized the importance of cereal grains in a balanced diet. Mrs. Gleaves, director of the Health Department of Prince Georges county, was also present. Mr. Clark, county service agent, brought a film showing how the different foods are grown; but since the camera failed to work, he promised to show the picture at some future date.

OUR NEIGHBORS

Sidney H. Deibert, of 45-Q Ridge Road, sent word to his family last Saturday that he had arrived safely in Tokyo, Japan where he will be stationed as a civilian employee of the War Department in the capacity of a statistician. Mrs. Deibert and their son Leonard will remain in Greenbelt for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dobbin of 12-D Crescent Road, announce the birth of a daughter, their first child, on Monday, February 25, at Cheverly Hospital. Mrs. Dobbin was formerly employed in Mrs. Kinzer's office.

Mrs. Ray Stevens of 2-K Eastway, has as her guests this week her mother, Mrs. F. D. Chatfield and her brother Lt. (j. g. John Chatfield.

Teddy Havens, 2-C Gardenway, celebrated his tenth birthday last week with a party for his neighborhood friends and classmates.

Mrs. Alma Heinly has returned from Allentown, Pa. where she was called by the illness of her mother, who is much improved now.

Miss Dorothy Black, of Norfolk, Va., formerly social worker here, spent the week-end visiting Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Powell and sons are vacationing in Hollywood, Fla.

Mrs. Edward Grace, 4-G Hillside, entertained the Tuesday night bridge club at her home this week. The Garnet McGees, old Greenbelters, are moving to Miami, Florida, their previous home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Carroll and daughter Sue Ellen, of Salem, Mass., who are enroute from San Diego to Boston, were in Greenbelt this week to visit Mr. Carroll's brother Philip Carroll, 1-H Gardenway.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart and sons left this week for a motor trip through Florida.

Former resident Lyman Woodman celebrated his birthday last Tuesday at the Sherrod East's.

Mrs. Frank Donoghue of 2-A Woodlandway is expected home from the hospital tomorrow, where she has been successfully recuperating from an operation.

A second son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Posniak of 44-E Crescent Road, last Sunday.

Lois Lee Kramer of 6-C Hillside Road celebrated her seventh birthday with a party Tuesday afternoon.

The Laurel Hill Discussion Group met Monday evening at the home of BM 1/c and Mrs. Irving Levine to discuss the topic, "Post War Price Control."

Richard D. Snyder, son of former resident Joe Barzas, was separated from the Navy February 20.

Janet Miller of 6-C Crescent is celebrating her third birthday today.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Reuben of 4-D Crescent Road had their third child and second son Wednesday morning.

Ruth Rinehart, manager of the Cooperative Store in Westminster, Md., spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Greenbelt. She spoke at a meeting of new employees on Tuesday, spent some time in the food store Wednesday observing GCS methods, and attended the Membership meeting Wednesday night. Mrs. Rinehart is one of the active cooperative leaders in this area.

Two Greenbelters had degrees conferred on them at George Washington University's winter convocation last Friday night. Sidney Spindel, of 22-A Crescent Road, received a Bachelor of Science diploma in mathematics, and Tom Ritchie of 2-B Parkway received a Bachelor of Arts diploma in economics. Both plan to continue working for a Master's.

Auxiliary To Hold Dance On March 16

A ten-dollar door prize will be offered at a dance to be held by the Legion Auxiliary on Saturday, March 16, at the elementary school auditorium. Walter Hubbell's orchestra will furnish the music. Admission will be one dollar per person, tax included.

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Group That Adopted French Family Hopes Idea Will Spread Locally

Four local families have the satisfaction of knowing who receives the food and clothing they send abroad. Having obtained the name of a needy French family from the Friends World Committee at 20 South 12 Street, Philadelphia, they have been sending food packages every two weeks since September to the Bichons of Marseilles, France, some of whose letters of thanks were published in a recent Cooperator. As the Bichon's letters made their way back to this country, and their desperate need was revealed, the local group started to send clothing in addition to the food.

Each family participating in the project spends about \$3 monthly, and Mrs. Waldo Mott, one of the local group of senders, sees great possibilities in Sunday School classes, Girl Scout troops, and similar organizations "adopting" a foreign family in like fashion. She has offered to act as a clearing-house for the exchange of names of needy families with interested parties here. Her number is Greenbelt 5106.

The January 18 issue of the ECL "Cooperator" tells the story of a group in Ithaca, New York, starting with a nucleus of names of relatives abroad who were in need. In one month 85 gift parcels were sent from Ithaca and surrounding communities, and over 100 families adopted. Radio Station WHCU and the Associated Press helped to spread the word, while the Ithaca Co-op offered a demonstration table where 46 would-be adopters signed up the first week. Having read an AP account of the group's activities an American Air Force officer shot down over France and kept safe by the Underground offered to send in the names of 30 families, if help could be furnished them.

Since last Fall, the local group reports, 103 pounds of food and 23 pounds of clothing have been sent to the French family of eight persons. A six-foot son who needed an overcoat was supplied through the generosity of Egdon Margo, 21-A Parkway Road. Mr. Margo

PLAY BALL

By LES SANDERS

After a two weeks absence, due to more important news, I am pleased to bring you the highlights on the forthcoming tournament of the best ping pong artists. As you know, there have been teams entered by the Drop Inn and the Athletic Club, however, let's get some more entries. What about one from the Co-op and the Legion?

This contest has aroused keen interest among those staunch followers of the game at the Athletic Club, where there is a ladder with the best player's name on top and each in the order of his ability thereafter. Should a lower player defeat a player above himself on the ladder, he moves up. There appears on the fourth rung the name, George Bauer, and I know about three fellows who are most anxious to play the Mayor if he will find time. That is what makes the game and sport so interesting.

Did you ever play four-handed, two-paddle ping pong? Try it some time, it's lots of fun.

also supplied a pair of shoes, hoping their respective foot sizes would correspond as did their heights. As the family stated that all were without shoes or stockings, that the men needed shirts and that every curtain and bedspread they owned had been utilized for clothing, recent clothing packages have contained yard goods and sewing materials in addition to the clothing items and blankets. Special efforts have been made to suitably equip the two youngest, a boy of five and a two-year-old girl.

Dried milk, whole or skim, canned meat, some canned milk and dried fruits have been the food items most recently sent. Postal regulations state that no package sent abroad is to weigh over 11 pounds, but there are no longer limitations on the dimensions of cartons sent. Postage costs 14 cents a pound. Forms to be filled out in sending food or clothing packages to Europe may be obtained at the post office.

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All One Body We, New Deitz Department Store Says Md. Delegate

John S. White, town solicitor for Greenbelt and speaker of the Maryland House of Delegates, assured the audience at last Monday night's council meeting that "During the eight years of its existence the politicians of Prince Georges and the state of Maryland have developed a real personal interest in the people of Greenbelt." Despite civil service registers and home ties, many Greenbelters have become registered voters, White pointed out.

Mr. White's observation was prompted by Sherrod East's comparison between federal treatment of Greenbelt with the governmental attitude towards the county and the state, to whom Uncle Sam also renders payments in lieu of taxes. "FPHA apparently thinks the town of Greenbelt politically weak and inept. They wouldn't venture to dispute payments in lieu of taxes with the county and state as they do with us," Mr. East stated.

Solicitor White agreed with Mr. East that the banking fraternity of state and county might be willing to come to the rescue with loans to tide the town over, in case the Federal government continued to hold up needed money. It was pointed out at the meeting that no Greenbelt resident needs to feel like a political pariah, since about \$220,000 from the people's rents goes annually for state, county and town taxes. Former council-member East's suggestion that the town borrow from local sources was advanced as an alternate to Councilman Morrison's plan, embodied in a resolution offered for first reading, to put all town employes on furlough as of February 28 if no assurances were forthcoming from the field office.

Mr. East declared that the Federal government would have considerably more respect for Greenbelt if its citizens "had the courage" to tax themselves directly for needed revenue.

Mr. White recalled having worked on the original draft of the town charter with former community manager Roy Braden, and assured the community of his willingness to "go to bat" in helping it out of its present difficulties.

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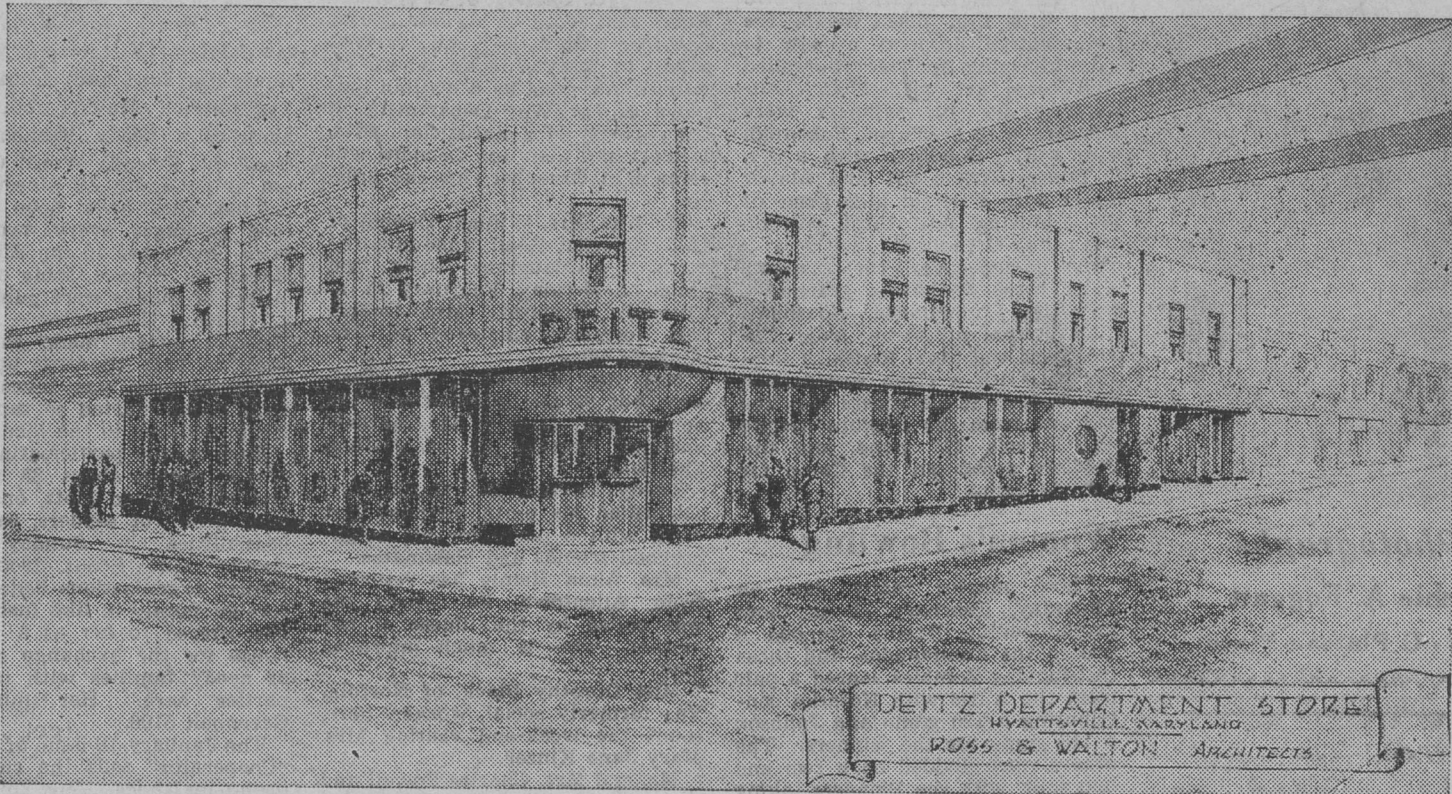
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The above cut shows the Deitz Department store of Hyattsville as it will appear after a \$50,000 remodeling job, expected to be completed by Easter. Some of the features of the new store will be air-conditioning and "magic-eye" doors which open automatically as customers approach.

Housewives Meet

The Housewives Club met last Thursday at Mrs. Nettie Granims'. Silas Pearson and Rachel Garner gave a demonstration on the proper use of cosmetics and introduced the new line of Co-op cosmetics.

Bea Bronstein, Ethel Fisher and Estelle Dolgoff were named to outline a program for the coming year which will be presented at the next meeting.

Elise East announced that a quilt had been completed for the UNRRA clothing drive, and that two cartons of clothing and one of shoes had been sent to the Committee to Aid Spanish Refugees. It was decided to continue collecting clothes for the refugees. Anyone interested in donating clothes can bring them to Mrs. East at 56-K Crescent Road, or leave them at the north-end food store.

How Cut Affects Police Department

In its report on the local police and fire departments, FPFA's survey team recommended that the staff be limited to four officers, Chief Panagoulis told the Cooperator last week. The present set-up provides for six, though these positions have not been filled at all times and relief men have been used to carry on the necessary work. The proposed cut-back would considerably hamper the 24-hour service which has been maintained up to the present, and would mean a lack of officers for patrol, ambulance duty, protection at local dances and meetings, school patrol and night fires, when the maintenance force is not available to lend a hand. The relief is provided for in case of annual leave, sickness or special emergencies, it was also stated.

A study of municipal police sys-

tems published during the depression by the Institute for Training in Municipal Administration shows that a total of 1,223 American cities in Greenbelt's population group have an average of 1.1 policemen per 1000 population. The inevitable postwar boom in crime and delinquency, which the chief says is manifesting itself here as in other municipalities, indicates the advisability of pushing this average even higher.

The FPFA survey concluded that Greenbelt is "atypical" because of the absence of industrial establishments and lack of town-folk in the upper brackets of wealth and social position. Mr. Panagoulis maintains that Greenbelt's population is entirely typical of other sections of metropolitan Washington, that we will soon again become a mecca for tourists, and that the presence of nearby ERCO, Beltsville, the University of Maryland and the Schrom airport definitely create a complex situation for the local force.

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GCS Cooking School

The 35 housewives who attended the GCS cooking school in the home economics room last Thursday left convinced that there should be more of the same. Especially pleased with the results of the demonstration were Mrs. Allen Plitt, Mrs. Frances Kerr and Mrs. Mary Leberman, who came away with door prizes of strawberry desserts and baked fish, the main features of the meal.

It will be almost impossible to hold regular classes, according to Rachel Garner, due to inadequate equipment and competition with the cafeteria. Miss Garner explained that GCS hoped to make the classes a regular cooperative

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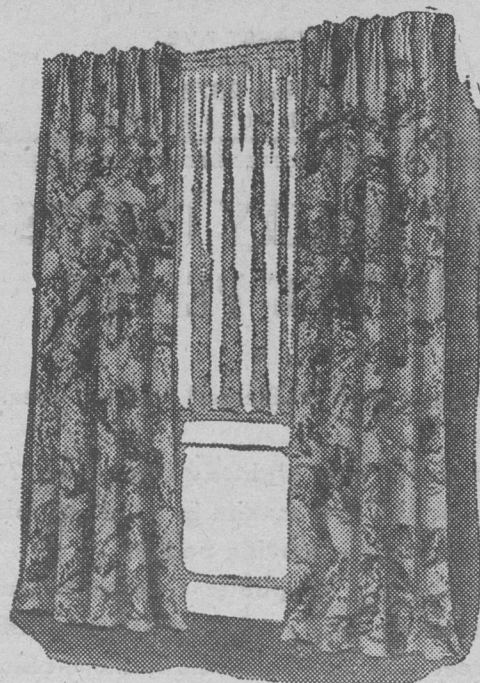
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